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TAX COLLECTOR  
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## TOWN OFFICERS

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### *Moderator*

Stephen Brown

### *Supervisors of Check List*

Harry T. Philbrick

George I. Beckman

Arthur B. Batchelder

### *Town Clerk*

Horace P. Blodgett

### *Selectmen*

Frank Philbrick

Ralph B. Fish

D. Everett Palmer

### *Treasurer*

Arthur G. Wadleigh

### *Tax Collector*

Melvin G. Armstrong

### *Highway Agents*

Loren A. Plumb

John P. Blake

Arthur C. Evans

### *Auditors*

L. N. Sanborn

H. E. Brown

### *Trustees of Public Library*

Sarah A. Green

Marion Kimball

Mary A. Prescott

*Trustees of Trust Funds*

George A. Prescott

M. G. Armstrong

George Osgood

*Board of Education*

Mary A. Prescott

Charles W. Kelton

Leavitt W. Brown

*School Treasurer*

George A. Prescott

*Constables*

Ernest D. Lord

Louis F. Strout

*Fire Warden*

Ralph B. Fish

# Town Warrant

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## THE STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE

*To the Inhabitants of the Town of Kensington, in the County of Rockingham in said State, qualified to vote in Town Affairs:*

You are hereby notified to meet at Town Hall, in said Kensington on Tuesday, the eighth day of March next, at nine of the clock in the forenoon, to act upon the following subjects:

1. To choose all necessary Town Officers for the year ensuing.
2. To raise such sums of money as may be necessary to defray town charges for the ensuing year and make appropriation of the same.
3. To see what sum of money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for Trunk Line road maintenance.
4. To see what sum of money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for State Aid road maintenance.
5. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$75.00 for Memorial Day.
6. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$200.00 for the Public Library.
7. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$200.00 for repairs on the Kensington Social Library building.
8. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$150.00 to paint and repair the Town Hall.

9. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$200.00 to repair the Beaver Dam Road.

10. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$400.00 for the control of White Pine Blister Rust.

11. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$175.00 for snow fence.

12. To see if the Town will vote to allow the Selectmen to borrow money in anticipation of taxes and renew and refund town notes.

13. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$50.00 for forest fire equipment.

14. To see what sum of money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for contingent fund.

15. To see what sum of money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate to reduce the town debt.

16. To transact any other business that may legally come before the meeting.

Given under our hands and seal, the fourteenth day of February, in the year of our Lord nineteen hundred and twenty-seven.

FRANK PHILBRICK,  
D. EVERETT PALMER,  
RALPH B. FISH,

*Selectmen of Kensington.*

A true copy of Warrant—Attest:

FRANK PHILBRICK,  
D. EVERETT PALMER,  
RALPH B. FISH.

*Selectmen of Kensington.*

# Selectmen's Report

## INVENTORY

Land and buildings.....	\$271,820.00
Horses, 123.....	9,480.00
Cows, 375.....	18,235.00
Neat Stock, 41.....	1,475.00
Sheep, 25.....	125.00
Hogs, 4.....	100.00
Fowls, 987.....	987.00
Wood, lumber, etc.....	61,625.00
Gasoline pumps and tanks.....	850.00
Stock in trade.....	1,450.00
Mills and Machinery.....	500.00
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	\$366,647.00
Exempted.....	5,300.00
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	\$361,347.00
Poll tax, 203.....	\$406.00
Property tax.....	11,021.08
Bank Stock.....	18.00
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	\$11,445.08

Rate \$3.05 per hundred

## APPROPRIATIONS

State Tax.....	\$780.00
County tax.....	564.95
Contingent.....	1,200.00
Snow.....	1,200.00



State Aid Maintenance.....	\$1,000.00
Trunk Line Maintenance.....	750.00
State Aid Construction.....	500.00
Highway.....	903.04
Schools.....	4,050.00
Library.....	200.00
Memorial Day.....	75.00
Hampton Memorial.....	10.00
Overlay.....	212.09
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	\$11,445.08

## ASSETS

Cash on hand.....	\$586.68
Uncollected taxes, 1921.....	10.00
Uncollected taxes, 1922.....	20.00
Uncollected taxes, 1924.....	28.43
Uncollected taxes, 1925.....	186.80
Uncollected taxes, 1926.....	1,400.50
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	\$2,232.41

## LIABILITIES

Amelia Rowe, note.....	\$400.00
Exeter Banking Co., note.....	2,000.00
Due Schools, dog licenses.....	49.00
Due Schools, appropriation.....	1,750.00
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	\$4,199.00
Net debt.....	\$1,966.59

FRANK PHILBRICK,  
D. EVERETT PALMER,  
RALPH B. FISH,

*Selectmen of Kensington.*

# Treasurer's Report

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February 1, 1926 to February 1, 1927

## *Receipts*

Cash on hand, Feb. 1, 1926.....	\$703.65
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### Received from:

Collector, 1923.....	\$19.47
Collector, 1924.....	107.57
Collector, 1925.....	975.31
Collector, 1926.....	9,841.00
Collector, Interest.....	12.86

### Town Clerk:

Dog licenses.....	65.00
Automobile taxes.....	528.77

### State Treasurer:

Interest and Dividend tax.....	7.33
Railroad tax.....	16.51
Savings bank tax.....	135.38
State Aid Construction.....	470.45
Trunk Line Maintenance.....	1,296.06
State Aid Maintenance.....	913.02

### Other Sources:

M. G. Armstrong, wood.....	5.25
E. D. Lord, rent of hall.....	10.00
Tax and expense, Arthur Evans..	35.50
Rockingham Co., poor.....	215.00
R. B. Fish, Ludlow trip.....	25.00
D. E. Palmer, Bal. of Mem. Day.	2.20

H. T. Philbrick, 2 snow shovels..	\$2.00
Exeter Banking Co., notes.....	3,000.00
Rockingham National Bank, tax on bank stock.....	7.00
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	\$18,394.33

*Payments*

Salaries of officers.....	\$458.13
Officers' expense.....	219.30
Snow plow demonstration.....	72.00
Election and Registration.....	104.00
Town Hall.....	40.97
Police Department.....	14.00
Fire Department.....	47.54
State Aid Maintenance.....	1,988.29
Trunk Line Maintenance.....	2,182.19
Town Maintenance.....	1,021.75
General expense highway.....	66.12
Snow.....	1,814.12
County poor.....	215.00
Memorial Day.....	75.00
Cemeteries.....	97.79
Abatements.....	189.33
Unclassified.....	68.35
Notes and Interest.....	2,691.47
State Aid Construction.....	969.95
Other Payments.....	5,474.25
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	\$17,808.65
Cash on hand, Feb. 1, 1927.....	585.68
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	\$18,394.33

ARTHUR G. WADLEIGH,

*Treasurer.*

## EXPENDITURES IN DETAIL

*Salaries of Officers*

Frank Philbrick, selectman.....	\$60.00
D. Everett Palmer, selectman.....	90.00
R. B. Fish, Selectman.....	90.00
A. G. Wadleigh, Treasurer.....	50.00
H. P. Blodgett, Town Clerk.....	25.00
L. N. Sanborn, Auditor, 1926.....	3.00
M. G. Armstrong, Auditor, 1926...	3.00
Frank Kimball, Collector.....	11.49
M. G. Armstrong, Collector.....	125.64
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	\$458.13

*Officers' Expense*

John Templeton, reports.....	\$85.00
John Templeton, printing.....	6.50
The Whittier Press, printing.....	13.00
Jas. H. Batchelder, supplies.....	5.40
Edson Eastman Co., dog tags.....	3.90
Baker Agency, Officer's bonds.....	14.00
L. C. Smith, making taxes.....	15.00
N. H. Assessors' Assoc., dues.....	2.00
H. P. Blodgett, expense.....	5.25
R. B. Fish, expense.....	52.25
D. E. Palmer, expense.....	17.00
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	\$219.30

*Snow Plow Demonstration Expense*

Frank Philbrick.....	\$22.00
D. Everett Palmer.....	25.00
R. B. Fish.....	25.00
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	\$72.00

*Election and Registration*

George A. Prescott, Ballot Clerk...	\$6.00
George Osgood, Ballot Clerk.....	6.00
E. D. Lord, Inspector.....	6.00
J. R. Molloy, Inspector .....	6.00
Arthur Hubbard, Gatekeeper.....	6.00
Dolbar Blodgett, Gatekeeper.....	3.00
Harvey Wilbur, Gatekeeper.....	3.00
H. T. Philbrick, Supervisor 1925-26	16.50
Arthur Batchelder, Supervisor 1925- 26.....	16.50
Leavitt Brown, Supervisor, 1925-26	15.00
S. W. Shaw, Moderator 1925-26....	20.00
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	\$104.00

*Town Hall Expense*

Hilliard & Kimball, Supplies.....	\$3.90
F. M. Cilley, Insurance.....	16.88
George Osgood, wood.....	6.00
E. B. Warner, supplies.....	10.19
E. D. Lord, Janitor.....	4.00
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	\$40.97

*Police Department*

L. F. Strout, services.....	\$6.00
E. D. Lord, services.....	5.00
Howard Steeves, services.....	3.00
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	\$14.00

*Fire Department*

Exeter Fire Dept., Holmes fire.....	\$28.00
Exeter Fire Dept., Cameron fire....	14.50
Scott Grain Co., soda.....	5.04

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\$47.54

*State Aid Maintenance*

By R. B. Fish

April 24—A. C. Evans, dragging road.....	\$24.19
May 1—Repairs near M. W. Evans	93.35
July 3—Trucks and shovelers, resurfacing from S. A. Green's to E. B. Warner's.....	249.16
July 10—Dragging road, general repairs.....	66.23
July 17—Setting posts and rails....	59.82
July 14—Gravel.....	44.80
July 26—Setting posts and rails....	42.00
Sept. 18—Resurfacing from A. Evans' to Geo. Eastman's.....	121.20
Gravel.....	26.00
Sept. 25—Resurfacing near Wilbur's	41.12
Oct. 4—Scraping from So. Hampton to Exeter line.....	86.12
Oct. 16—Labor on railings, painting etc.,.....	48.25
Exeter Lumber Co., material..	93.13
Oct. 30—Road honed S. H. line to Wilbur's.....	21.80
Nov. 13—Gravel and resurfacing...	133.85
Nov. 13—Placing culverts.....	3.75

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\$1,154.77

## By Frank Philbrick

A. T. York.....	\$66.50
Frank Kimball.....	38.50
Alva Brewer.....	129.50
Harry T. Philbrick.....	112.00
F. L. Philbrick.....	7.00
Elmer Wade.....	55.50
H. C. Ayres.....	12.00
George Dennis.....	55.50
M. W. Brewster.....	45.00
Frank Quimby.....	36.00
Henry Quimby.....	36.00
Frank Goddard.....	34.50
Charles Brewer.....	22.50
H. B. Philbrick.....	1.50
Parker Blodgett.....	19.12
Charles Smart.....	19.50
Frank Philbrick.....	55.50
W. A. Hilliard, gravel.....	87.40
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	\$833.52

## Paid By State:

North East Metal Culvert Co., culvert.....	\$20.11
Berger Mfg. Co., culvert.....	24.58
Highway Dept., paint.....	19.14
Engineering.....	23.15
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	\$86.98
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	\$2,075.27

Cash State to Town.....	\$913.02
State bills.....	86.98
Paid by Town.....	1,075.27
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	\$2,075.27

*Trunk Line Maintenance*

Lawrence Philbrick.....	\$140.88
H. T. Philbrick.....	189.88
Herman Shaw.....	19.50
Frank Kimball.....	132.13
A. T. York.....	114.13
Alva Brewer.....	108.00
H. M. Baker.....	106.21
H. B. Philbrick.....	4.50
H. C. Ayres.....	38.25
Elmer Wade.....	77.25
Frank Philbrick.....	173.39
M. W. Brewster.....	44.63
Frank Quimby.....	30.00
Henry Quimby.....	30.00
George Dennis.....	66.00
Charles Brewer.....	3.00
Everett Perkins.....	40.13
Granville Gilmore.....	40.50
Edward Bickford.....	6.00
H. M. Steeves.....	37.13
Parker Blodgett.....	3.00
L. S. Gould.....	38.63
Ernest Lord.....	34.13
Kenneth Lord.....	34.13
W. A. Hilliard.....	82.17
John Gretz.....	37.13
Ambrose Gretz.....	37.13
Alfred Gretz.....	6.00



Hollis Steeves.....	\$6.00
M. W. Evans.....	7.13
O. D. Philbrick.....	6.00
H. M. Towle.....	59.82
Exeter Lumber Co.....	102.01
Frank Kimball, gravel.....	327.40
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	\$2,182.19

## Paid By State:

Payroll W. A. C. Trucks.....	\$10.00
Mace Moulton Inc., cold patch...	88.11
American Tar Co., cold patch...	34.75
Barrett Co., Tarvia.....	123.75
Barrett Co., Tarvia.....	522.50
Engineering.....	49.83
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	\$828.94
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	\$3,011.13

Paid by State, Cash.....	\$1,296.06
State bills.....	828.94
Paid by Town.....	886.13
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	\$3,011.13

*Town Maintenance*

Arthur C. Evans, Agent.....	\$338.54
J. P. Blake, Agent.....	339.28
L. A. Plumb, Agent.....	295.98
Exeter Lumber Co., Kimball Bridge	41.95
Frank Philbrick, labor.....	3.00
O. D. Philbrick, labor.....	3.00
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	\$1,021.75

*Snow Expense, Spring, 1926*

A. C. Evans, Agent.....	\$485.13
H. T. Philbrick, Agent.....	270.22
Alexander Gretz, Agent.....	319.64
J. P. Blake.....	8.25
Stephen Brown.....	11.05
George Church.....	7.50
L. A. Plumb, Agent.....	75.78
J. P. Blake, Agent.....	19.87
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	\$1,197.44

*Winter, 1926 and 1927*

Exeter Highway Department.....	\$550.00
Frank Kimball.....	3.50
A. C. Evans, Agent.....	25.39
J. P. Blake, Agent.....	17.12
R. B. Fish, snow fence.....	15.57
J. P. Blake, snow fence.....	1.10
H. C. Ayers, snow paths.....	4.00
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	\$616.68
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	\$1,814.12

*General Expense Highway*

B. & M., freight.....	\$6.12
F. H. Strout, Blacksmith.....	4.50
N. E. R. Mach. Co., blade.....	10.30
O. W. Butler, bush cutters.....	10.00
W. N. Dow, public watering place..	4.00
Hilliard & Kimball, supplies.....	31.20
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	\$66.12

*County Poor*

Charles Kelton, board Dunton children.....	\$55.00	
M. W. Evans, board Dunton children.....	160.00	
	<hr/>	\$215.00

*Memorial Day*

Exeter Band.....	\$47.00	
Mrs. Elkins, flags.....	10.00	
Rev. R. D. Sawyer, Orator.....	15.00	
Telephone and twine.....	.80	
Paid Town Treasurer, balance.....	2.20	
	<hr/>	\$75.00

*Cemeteries*

Hilliard & Kimball, wire.....	\$8.10	
Exeter Lumber Co., posts.....	19.45	
C. E. Bragg, labor.....	13.50	
E. D. Lord, labor.....	27.74	
Elmer Wade, labor.....	9.00	
E. D. Lord, 4 graves.....	20.00	
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*Abatements, 1923*

Katherine Yell.....	\$5.00	
Joseph Yell.....	5.64	
Peter Yell.....	3.83	
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## 1924

Katherine Yell.....	\$5.00
Joseph Yell.....	6.78
Peter Therien.....	5.68
Maud Therien.....	5.00
Dorrel Lee.....	.90
Weston Danforth.....	5.00
Mrs. Danforth.....	5.00
Dorothy York.....	5.00
Ernest Lord.....	5.00
Mrs. Lord.....	5.00
Leon French.....	5.00

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 \$53.36

## 1925

William Anderson.....	\$1.81
Mrs. Avery.....	3.00
Arthur Blake.....	3.00
Annie Blake.....	3.00
Ellen Eastman, not taxable.....	3.00
Eunice Evans.....	3.00
A. B. Fellows.....	3.00
Ida Goddard.....	3.00
George Morton.....	3.00
Edwin Quimby.....	3.00
Ida Quimby.....	3.00
W. Simonds.....	3.00
Peter Therien.....	3.00
Maud Therien.....	3.00
Frank Kimball, tractor.....	8.70
S. W. Shaw, tractor.....	8.70
C. W. Barker, tractor.....	8.70
S. W. Shaw.....	5.94
Elbridge Stevens, overrated.....	42.65

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 \$115.50

## 1926

Wilbur Tibbetts, not taxable.....	\$2.00	
Wm. Anderson, not taxable.....	2.00	
Ellen Anderson, not taxable.....	2.00	
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		\$6.00
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		\$189.33

*Unclassified*

W. H. Sleeper, legal advice.....	\$38.35	
Hampton Memorial.....	10.00	
George W. Bartlett, poultry damage.....	20.00	
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		\$68.35

*Notes and Interest*

Received from:

April 26—Exeter Banking Co., at 4¾.....	\$2,000.00	
June 15—Exeter Banking Co., at 4¾.....	1,000.00	
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		\$3,000.00

Paid:

Feb. 18—Int. due on note paid Jan. 31, 1926.....	\$6.00	
April 26—Int. on note of April 26, 1926.....	69.14	
May 1—Int. on note of April 14, 1925.....	45.00	
June 15—Int. on note of June 15, 1926.....	15.83	
Oct. 1—Paid Banking Co., note..	1,500.00	

Oct. 1—Paid Banking Co., int. on same.....	\$35.50
Oct. 15—Paid Banking Co., note.	1,000.00
Jan. 29—Amelia Rowe, interest..	20.00

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\$2,691.47

*Trunk Line Construction*

Frank Kimball.....	\$82.25
Alva Brewer.....	91.00
A. T. York.....	84.00
F. L. Philbrick.....	84.00
H. M. Baker.....	73.50
Elmer Wade.....	9.00
M. W. Brewster.....	6.00
Frank Quimby.....	6.00
Henry Quimby.....	6.00
Edward Bickford.....	36.00
Granville Gilmore.....	34.50
E. M. Perkins.....	36.00
H. M. Steeves.....	36.00
W. A. Hilliard.....	36.00
L. S. Gould.....	36.00
George Dennis.....	39.00
E. D. Lord.....	27.00
Kenneth Lord.....	30.00
Hollis Steeves.....	9.00
Charles Smart.....	6.00
Frank Philbrick.....	41.55
H. T. Philbrick.....	94.50
H. M. Baker, gravel.....	66.20

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\$969.50

State Engineering.....

28.55

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\$998.05

Cash from State .....	\$470.45	
State Engineering .....	28.55	
Paid by Town .....	499.05	
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		\$998.05

*Payments to Other Governmental Divisions*

County tax .....	\$564.95	
State tax .....	780.00	
Library .....	200.00	
School Treasurer:		
Dog licenses, 1925 .....	89.40	
Bal. 1925 appropriation .....	1,539.90	
Appropriation, 1926 .....	2,300.00	
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		\$5,474.25

COLLECTOR'S REPORT

*Dr.*

Amount to collect .....	\$11,445.08	
Interest .....	12.86	
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		\$11,457.94

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Amount collected .....	\$9,841.00	
Discount .....	203.58	
Uncollected .....	1,400.50	
Interest .....	12.86	
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		\$1,157.94

MELVIN G. ARMSTRONG,  
*Collector.*

## DOG LICENSE ACCOUNT

Dog Licenses, 1926 . . . . .	\$89.40	
Dog Licenses, 1927 . . . . .	69.00	
	<hr/>	\$158.40
Paid School Treasurer . . . . .	\$89.40	
George W. Bartlett, poultry damage	20.00	
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Balance due schools . . . . .		<hr/> \$49.00



# REPORT OF THE TRUST FUNDS OF THE TOWN OF KENSINGTON ON JAN. 31, 1927

Date of creation	Trust funds and purpose of creation	How invested	Amount of Principal	Rate of Interest	Bal. of Income on hand at beginning of year	Income during year	Exp'ded during year	Bal. of Income, end of year
1912	John F. Gill Cemetery Fund . . . . .	Man. Sav. Bnk.	\$100.00	4½	\$120.03	\$5.46	\$2.00	\$123.49
1914	Hannah Moulton, Library books.	Man. Sav. Bnk.	1,000.00	4½	1,000.00	45.00	45.00	1,000.00
1916	Mary S. Blake, Cemetery Fund . .	Man. Sav. Bnk.	100.00	4½	124.17	5.64	2.00	127.81
1918	Elizabeth H. Osgood, Cem. Fund.	U. S. Lib. Bnd	100.00	4¼	106.53	4.25	2.00	108.78
1922	James P. Bartlett, Cem. Fund . . .	U. S. Lib. Bnd	100.00	4¼	107.00	4.25	2.00	109.25
1923	George M. Gove, Cem. Fund . . . .	Man. Sav. Bnk.	150.00	4½	155.96	7.02	2.00	160.98
1925	Ellen F. Bingham, Cem. Fund . . .	Man. Sav. Bnk.	100.00	4½	100.00	4.49	2.00	102.49

Kensington, N. H., February 14, 1927.

This is to certify that we have this day examined the accounts of Frank Philbrick, D. Everett Palmer and Ralph B. Fish, Selectmen; Arthur G. Wadleigh, Treasurer, with a balance of \$585.68; Arthur C. Evans, John P. Blake and Loren Plumb, Highway Agents; Mary A. Prescott, Library Treasurer; George A. Prescott, Trustee of Public Funds, Horace P. Blodgett, Town Clerk; and Melvin G. Armstrong, Collector, and find the same correctly cast and properly vouched and do hereby approve the same.

LEVI N. SANBORN,  
HERBERT E. BROWN,

*Auditors.*

## Librarian's Report

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The circulation of the Public and Social Libraries from February 1, 1926 to January 31, 1927, was as follows:

	<i>Public</i>	<i>Social</i>	<i>Total</i>
Reference.....		6	6
Poetry.....	11	3	14
N. History.....	9	8	17
History.....	6	1	7
Science.....	8	4	12
Travel.....	15	6	21
Biography.....	21	6	27
Literature.....	1	3	4
Juv. Fiction.....	231	125	356
Fiction.....	676	282	958
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	978	444	1,422

Magazines, 83.

Persons using reading room, 219.

### *Books Purchased for Public Library*

Dark Laughter.....	<i>Anderson</i>
Indians of the Enchanted Desert.....	<i>Crane</i>
Coasting Down East.....	<i>Hueston</i>
Dickens and other Victorians.....	<i>Couch</i>
One Man's Life.....	<i>Quick</i>
Sir or Madam.....	<i>Ruck</i>
Romance Island.....	<i>Gale</i>
Modern American Poetry.....	<i>Utermeyer</i>

The American Twins.....	<i>Perkins</i>
The Vanishing American.....	<i>Grey</i>
Judy's Man.....	<i>Berger</i>
The Private Life of Helen of Troy.....	<i>Erskine</i>
Roads of Destiny.....	<i>O. Henry</i>
The Runaway Bag.....	<i>Terhune</i>
Hangman's House.....	<i>Byrne</i>
The Green Dragon.....	<i>Fargeon</i>
The Silver Forest.....	<i>Williams</i>
The Crooked Cross.....	<i>Duth</i>
The Blue Window.....	<i>Bailey</i>
Why We Behave Like Human Beings.....	<i>Dorsey</i>
After Noon.....	<i>Eitz</i>
The Splendid Rascal.....	<i>Challis</i>
Mote House Mystery.....	<i>Marshall and Vachell</i>
Brawnyman.....	<i>Stevens</i>
Far Away and Long Ago.....	<i>Hudson</i>
The Real Diary of a Philosopher, Vol. I.....	<i>Keyserling</i>
The Real Diary of a Philosopher, Vol. II.....	<i>Keyserling</i>
Some American Ladies.....	<i>Minnigerode</i>
The Love Nest and Other Stories.....	<i>Lardner</i>
Killers Ann Ruth.....	<i>Singmaster</i>
The War Eagle.....	<i>Gregor</i>
Chimes.....	<i>Herrick</i>
The New Name.....	<i>Hill</i>
Paris on Parade.....	<i>Wilson</i>

*Given by the Woman's Thursday Club*

The Adventures of the Seven Keyholes.....	<i>Seaman</i>
American Twins of the Revolution.....	<i>Perkins</i>
Jerry Muskrat at Home.....	<i>Burgess</i>
The Cruise of the Dazzler.....	<i>London</i>

*Social Library Additions*

Poetry as a Representative Art.....	Raymond
A Life in Song.....	Raymond
The Aster God and other Dramas.....	Raymond
Ballads and Other Poems.....	Raymond
An Art Philosophers' Cabinet.....	Raymond
The Essential of Aesthetics.....	Raymond
Ethics and Natural Law.....	Raymond
Dante and Collected Verse.....	Raymond

*Magazines on the Tables in Reading Room*

Saturday Evening Post.....	Given by George Osgood
The Country Gentleman....	Given by Prof. W. A. Francis
School Life.....	Gift
Dearborn Independent.....	Gift
Salesmanship.....	Gift
Youth's Companion.....	Purchased by Town
Popular Science.....	Purchased by Town
St. Nicholas.....	Purchased by Town
American.....	Purchased by Town

ARTHUR G. WADLEIGH,

*Librarian.*

KENSINGTON PUBLIC LIBRARY  
FINANCIAL STATEMENT

*Receipts*

Cash on hand, Feb. 19, 1926.....	\$5.95
Received from Town Treasurer, Library Ap- propriation.....	200.00
George A. Prescott, Moulton Funds.....	45.00
Woman's Thursday Club.....	5.00
Librarian—fines.....	4.00
	<hr/> \$259.95

*Expenses*

Paid A.G. Wadleigh, Librarian.....	\$108.50
J. J. Allen, books.....	70.43
Magazines.....	9.20
Cutting and drawing wood.....	5.17
Sawing wood.....	6.00
Insurance.....	7.51
Cleaning.....	12.25
Kerosene.....	7.02
Paint and Damper.....	2.90
Repairs and painting.....	3.00
	<hr/> \$231.98
Balance on hand, Feb. 11, 1927.....	\$27.97

MARY A. PRESCOTT,

*Trustee.*

# School Treasurer's Report

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## FINANCIAL STATEMENT—YEAR ENDING JULY 1, 1926

Balance from 1925.....	\$7.46
Received from Selectmen.....	4,779.30
Received from State Treasurer.....	960.11
Received from sale of stove.....	2.00
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	\$5,748.87

### *Expenditures*

Teachers' salaries.....	\$2,466.00
Out of town tuitions.....	2,023.34
Supervisory Union.....	373.50
Text books.....	52.45
School supplies.....	82.72
Fuel.....	172.31
Janitor's services.....	114.15
Janitors' supplies.....	18.63
Minor repairs.....	85.90
Expense of Administration.....	13.63
Medical Inspection.....	35.00
Officers' salaries.....	55.50
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	\$5,493.13
Balance.....	255.74
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	\$5,748.87

## RECAPITULATION

*Teachers' Salaries*

Paid Elsie Bartlett, No. School <sup>1</sup> .....	\$950.00
Carrie Robie, E. School.....	850.00
Minnie Burbeck, W. School.....	660.00
Mildred Evans, W. School.....	6.00
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	\$2,466.00

*Out of Town Tuitions*

Paid School District of Exeter.....	\$1,126.00
School District of Amesbury....	333.34
School District of Haverhill,	96.00
Robinson Seminary.....	468.00
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	\$2,023.34

*Supervisory Union*

Paid State Treasurer, tax.....	\$198.00
F. A. Moore, Supt. ex. salary...	175.50
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	\$373.50

*Text Books*

Paid J. P. Lippincott Co.....	\$16.15
Standard Book Co.....	4.06
Little Brown & Co.....	5.41
Arlo Publishing Co.....	2.42
University Publishing Co.....	1.57
World Book Co.....	4.30
John C. Winston Co.....	2.70



Rowe Peterson Co.....	\$4.14
Ginn & Co.....	3.47
E. E. Babb & Co.....	8.23

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\$52.45

*School Supplies*

Paid Edson C. Eastman.....	\$7.18
D. A. Frazer.....	2.40
Hilliard & Kimball.....	5.50
J. L. Hammett & Co.....	24.20
Milton Bradley Co.....	16.60
E. E. Babb & Co.....	10.44
W. A. Young.....	4.95
School District of Exeter.....	1.20
Lyons & Carnahan.....	3.52
World Book Co.....	6.73

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\$82.72

*Fuel*

Paid Esther B. Warner, wood.....	\$10.00
Elmer Wade, cutting wood.....	6.50
Arthur Evans, wood.....	5.90
Charles Card, wood.....	38.00
Walter Carlisle, wood.....	40.00
Levi Sanborn, 1924, wood.....	46.66
Harold Ayers, sawing wood.....	4.00
Edward Wilber, sawing wood...	2.75
Howard Steeves, wood.....	4.00
Horace Blodgett, wood.....	14.50

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\$172.31

*Janitors' Services*

Paid Elsie Bartlett.....	\$27.75	
Horace Blodgett.....	10.00	
Florence Strout.....	5.40	
Edna Jordan.....	10.50	
Mrs. Harvey Wilber.....	27.75	
Thelma Bartlett.....	27.75	
Keziah Cook.....	5.00	
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		\$114.15

*Janitors' Supplies*

Paid E. E. Babb Co.....	\$7.80	
W. A. Young.....	.45	
F. H. Sampson.....	10.38	
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		\$18.63

*Minor Repairs*

Paid Leavitt Brown.....	\$3.00	
Central Heating Co., Stove.....	69.90	
Horace Blodgett, labor.....	13.00	
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		\$85.90

*Expense of Administration*

Paid The Baker Agency.....	\$3.00	
Horace Blodgett.....	7.74	
G. A. Prescott.....	2.89	
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		\$13.63

*Medical Services*

Paid Cleon W. Colby, M. D., Inspection.....	\$30.00	
Cleon W. Colby, M. D., calls. . .	5.00	
	<hr/>	\$35.00

*Officers' Salaries*

Paid Horace Blodgett, School board. .	\$15.00	
Horace Blodgett, School Clerk. .	2.00	
Mary A. Prescott, School board.	10.00	
Leavitt Brown, School Board. . .	10.00	
G. A. Prescott, School Treasurer	10.00	
G. A. Prescott, School Moderator	1.50	
G. A. Prescott, School Census. . .	6.00	
W. A. Hilliard, School Auditor. .	1.00	
	<hr/>	\$55.50

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Having examined the foregoing accounts I find them correctly cast and properly vouched and do hereby approve the same.

Date, July 14.

WALTER A. HILLIARD,

*Auditor.*

*Tuition*

School District of Exeter.....	\$542.00
School District of Amesbury, Mass. . .	233.32
School District of Haverhill,.....	38.00
Robinson Seminary.....	336.00
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	\$1,149.32

*Supervisory Union*

D. W. Baker, excess salary.....	\$177.50
State tax.....	168.00
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	\$345.50

*Text Books*

Ginn & Co.....	\$6.06
University Pub. Co.....	13.65
Lyons & Carnahan.....	5.10
McMillan Co.....	6.00
B. H. Sanborn Co.....	3.69
J. P. Lippincott Co.....	15.97
S. Book Co.....	.32
J. C. Winston Co.....	1.52
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	\$52.31

*School Supplies*

E. E. Babb & Co.....	\$16.03
H. Houston Co.....	2.33
Ryan & Buker.....	1.26
J. L. Hammett Co.....	21.57
Scott Foresman Co.....	1.30
Kenny Bros & Wolkins.....	2.70

Milton Bradley Co.....	\$6.11	
Dowling Co.....	5.60	
P. & G. Distributing Co.....	6.00	
W. A. Young.....	1.35	
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		\$64.25

## FINANCIAL STATEMENT

From July 1, 1926, to January 31, 1927

### *Receipts*

Balance.....	\$255.74	
Received from Selectmen.....	2,300.00	
Received from State Treasurer.....	1,024.09	
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		\$3,579.83

### *Expenditures*

Salaries.....	\$1,175.00	
Tuitions.....	1,149.32	
Supervisory Union.....	345.50	
Text Books.....	52.31	
School Supplies.....	64.25	
Fuel.....	99.10	
Janitors' Services.....	78.15	
Janitors' supplies.....	21.69	
Repairs.....	222.23	
Administration.....	1.70	
Officers' salaries.....	55.50	
Balance.....	315.08	
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		\$3,579.83

## RECAPITULATION

*Teachers' Salaries*

Carrie Robie.....	\$450.00
Florence Kimball.....	425.00
Margaret Douglass.....	300.00
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	\$1,175.00

*Fuel*

George Beckman, wood.....	\$60.00
Harold Ayers, sawing wood.....	3.25
Howard Beckman, storing wood.....	3.00
Arthur Evans, sawing wood.....	11.85
Henry Brown, wood.....	21.00
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	\$99.10

*Janitors' Supplies*

O. H. Sleeper, Clock.....	\$8.75
Frank Sampson.....	7.94
Keziah Cook, water.....	5.00
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	\$21.69

*Janitors' Services*

Mrs. Howard Steeves.....	\$26.65
Florence Kimball.....	10.50
Margaret Douglass.....	10.50
Mrs. Harvey Wilber.....	10.50
Frank Brown.....	20.00
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	\$78.15

*Repairs*

W. N. Dowe, painting.....	\$51.00	
R. Meras, curtains.....	56.70	
Central Heating & Plumbing Co.....	36.49	
C. W. Kelton.....	34.87	
W. A. Young.....	23.69	
Hilliard & Kimball.....	2.70	
Exeter Lumber Co.....	5.68	
Mary Prescott.....	.60	
School District of Exeter.....	9.00	
A. L. Sleeper.....	1.50	
		<hr/> \$222.23

## BUDGET FOR SCHOOL YEAR, 1927-28

\$3.50 per \$1,000 on taxable inventory is minimum required by law.

## A. Estimated required for elementary schools.

1. Teachers.....	\$2,466.00
2. Text books.....	75.00
3. Scholars' supplies.....	50.00
4. Flags, etc.....	5.00
5. Janitor service.....	111.00
6. Fuel.....	180.00
7. Water and Janitors' supplies.....	30.00
8. Minor repairs.....	30.00
9. Medical inspection.....	25.00
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\$2,972.00

## B. Estimated required for High School Tuition.....

\$1,700.00

C. Salaries of District Officers . . . .	\$65.50
D. Superintendent's Excess Salary . . . .	175.50
E. Per capita tax . . . . .	186.00
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	\$5,099.00
Deficiency appropriation for High School tuition for 1926-1927 . . . . .	\$450.00
Appropriation for painting West School House . . . . .	100.00
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	\$5,649.00
Estimated income not raised by taxation:	
A. State aid . . . . .	\$1,000.00
B. Dog tax . . . . .	100.00
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	\$1,100.00
Total assessment to cover budget and appropriations . . . . .	<hr/>
	\$4,549.00

*Expense of Administration*

G. A. Prescott, stamps and stationery . . . .	\$1.70	\$1.70
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*Officers' Salaries*

Horace Blodgett, Clerk . . . . .	\$2.00
W. A. Hilliard, Auditor . . . . .	1.00
Leavitt Brown, School Board . . . . .	10.00
Charles Kelton, School Board . . . . .	10.00
Mary A. Prescott, School Board . . . . .	15.00
G. A. Prescott, School Treasurer . . . . .	10.00
G. A. Prescott, School Enumerator . . . . .	6.00
G. A. Prescott, School Moderator . . . . .	1.50
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	\$55.50



# Report of Superintendent of Schools

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*To the School Board and Citizens of Kensington, N. H.:*

I herewith submit my annual report as Superintendent of the Kensington schools, the eighth in the series.

As usual the report consists of tables and statistics and comments on the condition of the schools as they were during the school year ending June 30, 1926, of a brief survey of the current year, and of a few suggestions for the future.

Two tables numbered VI and VII have this year been added to the usual list so that you may gain whatever is possible of aid and incentive from a comparison of Kensington with other similar districts in this Union. You are to be congratulated on the position you hold in the matter of length of school year. Only a few schools in the State lost last year a smaller number of school days than Kensington. The teachers come within about two days of teaching thirty-six full weeks. The percent. of attendance, however, as compared to that of other similar districts in the Union is only a fair one. Table VII is interesting because its items are based on expenditures per \$1,000.00 of equalized valuation. This item is \$150,000 less in Kensington than in any other district in the Union. Table I gives comparative statistics on all the common phases of school life for a period of eight years, while Table II compares our schools of last year with each other on the same items.

The item of attendance in each table should receive our careful attention as parents and good citizens. In my report of 1924 I commented unfavorably on our average of 87 as compared to the state average of 93. The percent. of attendance rose the following year to 92, but last year it dropped back to 91. At present it is on the rise again. I write this that we all may be encouraged to make this the best year we have known.

A great improvement in the physical plant was made when the interior of the West School house was painted last summer. The old and worn out double desks were replaced by single desks bought as used furniture from the school district of Exeter at \$1.00 each. The stove was jacketed and placed in the Northwest corner of the room. New shades were placed at all the windows. In short, the room was made very attractive. The new shades provided to replace the blinds in the East School house proved to be most useful.

The examinations given at the end of the year last year showed commendable progress in actual school work. We had two teachers of very large experience and one of smaller experience but who had fine natural capacity and who was zealous in all phases of her work almost to a fault. Parents, school officials and pupils alike were sorry that Miss Bartlett and Miss Burbeck could not remain another year. The general spirit of the schools was fine and the year on the whole satisfactory.

The current year is also, to this point, one of progress. The new and inexperienced teachers show marked aptitude for the profession and complete devotion to their work, while Miss Robie continues on the same high plane, with a vision second to no teacher in the state, using fine

skill in handling many problems which would upset persons of less experience.

The work of the summer should, in my opinion, include exterior painting of the West School, now much in need of such treatment, the improvement to the vaults of the North School for which money is already appropriated and possibly exterior painting for the East School. At the earliest moment a set of the most necessary maps should be provided for each school. The East School has only one map, that of the world, much too large to hang covering a part of a window, the West School is equipped similarly and the North School is hardly better off. \$50.00 would probably furnish the needed equipment in this line.

It is with a deep appreciation of the heartiest co-operation always received from you and thanks for your interest in the schools that this report is

Respectfully submitted,

CLIFTON A. TOWLE,

*Superintendent of Supervisory Union, No. 16.*

Exeter, N. H., Feb. 15, 1927.

TABLE I.  
STATISTICS FOR EIGHT YEARS ENDING JUNE 30, 1926.

School Year	No. of Weeks	Boys	Girls	Total Pupils	Av. Attendance	Av. Absence	Av. Membership	Percent. of Attendance	Cases of Tardiness	Visits of Supt.	Visits of School Board	Visits of Others	Av. Salary
1918-19.....	36	39	36	75	58		63	91		33		46	\$480.
1919-20.....	36	52	32	84	54	5	59	91	171	60	3	86	648.
1920-21.....	36	44	31	75	58	5	63	91	274	59	6	124	739.
1921-22.....	36	33	30	63	53	5	58	90	26	47	5	97	783.
1922-23.....	36	39	34	73	51	6	58	89	65	48	5	149	731.
1923-24.....	37	38	40	78	56	8	63	87	137	49	9	197	731.
1924-25.....	37	30	30	60	49	4	53	92	296	61	11	121	822.
1925-26.....	37	33	43	76	51	5	56	91	198	56	7	147	822.

TABLE II.  
STATISTICS FOR SCHOOL YEAR ENDING JUNE 30, 1926.

Schools	Weeks in Year	Boys	Girls	Total	Av. Daily Attendance	Av. Daily Absence	Av. Membership	Percent of Attendance	No. Cases Tardiness	No. visits Supt.	No. visits School Bd.	No. visits of Others
North School.....	37	8	18	26	20.36	2.03	22.39	90.91	78	16	4	60
West School.....	37	8	8	16	10.32	1.21	11.53	90.37	38	18	1	48
East School.....	37	17	17	34	20.96	2.55	23.51	89.11	82	22	2	39

## TABLE III

## RECORD OF PERFECT ATTENDANCE, 1925-1926

*Three Terms*

Milton Fish

*Two Terms*

Charles Beckman

John Crowell

Lena Beckman

Grace Jordan

Norman Prescott

*One Term*

Doris Armstrong

John Jarvis

Hazel Armstrong

Nellie Jarvis

Moses Batchelder

George Mobbs

George Busch

Jeanette Sanborn

Betsey Crowell

Josephine Sanborn

Frances Wadleigh

## TABLE IV

*Teachers' Salaries*

<i>Name</i>	<i>School</i>	1926-1927
Margaret Douglass...	West.....	\$600.00
Florence Kimball.....	North.....	850.00
Carrie E. Robie.....	East.....	850.00

TABLE V.  
MEDICAL INSPECTION

	1919	1920	1921	1922	1923	1924	1925
Number of pupils examined.....	53	65	52	58	48	52	63
Number of card notices sent to parents.....	45	28	52	57	48	52	63
Number cases found of:							
Malnutrition.....	13	19	22	44	36	21	34
Defective vision.....	3	0	4	5	6	3	21
Defective hearing.....	0	0	0	0	1	0	1
Defective teeth.....	14	16	33	50	15	39	52
Hypertrophied tonsils.....	16	11	11	31	0	26	27
Adenoids.....	13	11	0	6	0	4	2
Defects of breathing.....	0	0	0	3	2	1	1
Enlarged glands.....	0	0	0	25	2	9	19
Cardiac disease.....	0	0	0	1	0	0	1
Unvaccinated.....	35	38	43	35	36	38	37
Other defects.....	1	0	0	6	1	2	0

TABLE VI.

TOWNS	Weeks in Year	Days Lost	Total Net D'ys	Ave. Salary	Ave. % Attend.	Number Pupils
Stratham.....	37	14.5	170.5	\$900.00	.95	66
Newfields.....	37	10.5	174.5	900.00	.948	50
Kensington.....	37	6.8	178.2	822.00	.92	60
Brentwood.....	36	13.6	166.4	730.00	.919	85

TABLE VII.

Current Costs per \$1,000. of Equalized Valuation, 1925—1926.

TOWNS	Local District	State Aid	Total Elemen.	High School	Other	Total
Stratham.....	\$6.90	\$1.30	\$8.20	\$4.29	\$.81	\$13.30
Newfields.....	5.19	2.10	7.29	3.26	1.24	11.79
Kensington.....	6.52	2.94	9.46	4.42	1.25	15.13
Brentwood.....	5.76	1.67	7.43	1.82	.93	10.18



BIRTHS REGISTERED IN THE TOWN OF KENSINGTON, FOR THE YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 1926.

Date 1926	Name	Sex	No. of Child	Living or Stillborn	Name of Father	Maiden name of Mother	Birthplace of Father	Birthplace of Mother
1925								
Jan. 4	Doris Adele Brewster	F	5	L	Moses W. Brewster	Alphonsine Caron	Amesbury, Mass.	Sandy Bay, Quebec, Can.
Jan. 10	Herbert Moses Jordon	M	10	L	Alfred Jordon	Grace I. Wilbur	E. Haverhill, Mass.	Kensington, N. H.
1926								
Aug. 29	Rob't Andrew Jordon	M	11	L	Alfred Jordon	Grace I. Wilbur	East Haverhill, Mass.	Kensington, N. H.
Oct. 9	—— Dodge	F	5	L	Louis Howard Dodge	Olive Harreden	Hamilton, Mass.	Worcester, Mass.

MARRIAGES REGISTERED IN THE TOWN OF KENSINGTON, FOR THE YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 1926

Date	Place of Marriage	Name and Surname of Groom and Bride	Age in Yrs.	Color of Each	Place of Birth of Each	Names of Parents	Condition	Name, Residence and Official Station of Person by Whom Married
July 3	Exeter, N. H.	Leavitt W. Brown	30	W	Kensington, N. H.	Stephen Brown Theodosia Walton	1st	Chas. A. Parker, Exeter, N. H., Clergyman.
		Mary A. Merrill	21	W	Amesbury, Mass.	Joseph Merrill Ida L. Eastman	1st	
July 16	Exeter, N. H.	Wilfred A. Eastman	24	W	Kensington, N. H.	Geo. C. Eastman Mary A. Gove	1st	Chas. A. Parker, Exeter, N. H., Clergyman
		Anna Chase	23	W	Seabrook, N. H.	Norman L. Chase Alice E. Chase	1st	

DEATHS REGISTERED IN THE TOWN OF KENSINGTON, FOR THE YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 1926.

Date	Name and Surname of Deceased	Age		Place of Birth	Male or Female	Color	Single Married or Widowed	Name of Father	Maiden Name of Mother
		Y	M   D						
July 26	Mary A. Strout	59	4	13 Amesbury, Mass.	F	W	M	John Dennett	Abby Gill
Oct. 2	Lizzie E. Plumb	65	5	26 Kensington, N. H.	F	W	M	Charles E. Tuck	Sarah Eaton
Oct. 15	Clarence C. Bragg	70	5	8 Fairlee, Vt.	M	W	M	William Bragg	Irena Putnam
Nov. 20	Warren Albert Morrill	30	7	25 So. Hampton, N. H.	M	W	S	Wallace B. Morrill	Edith M. Follansbee









